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TAGS: TSPA, NATO

SUBJECT: REENTRY OF SOVIET SATELLITE, COSMOS 954

REF: TELECON ROBERT GERMAN TO DEPT ON 1/23/78

1. RE FRG INTEREST IN INFORMING GOV OF SWEDEN, USG AGREES  
THAT PRIOR NOTIFICATION WOULD BE IN INTERESTS OF ALL  
CONCERNED.

2. AS IN CASE OF NOTICE TO AUSTRIA AND SWITZERLAND, WE  
WOULD PREFER THAT THE FRG, RATHER THAN THE US, CONVEY  
THE INFO. WE BELIEVE THE FRG COULD DO SO WITHOUT

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MENTIONING THE US, ON THE BASIS OF TRACKING DATA AVAIL-  
ABLE TO IT, TOGETHER WITH INFO PASSED BY THE SOVIET  
UNION TO IT IN RESPONSE TO THE FRG DEMARCHE.

3. YOU SHOULD ADVISE THE FOREIGN MINISTER ON AN  
IMMEDIATE BASIS OF THIS DECISION.

4. FYI. IN ADDITION TO MEETING POLITICAL NEEDS OF THE GOVERNMENT, NOTIFICATION BY THE FRG WOULD OBVIATE POSSIBILITY THAT CHARGES MIGHT BE RAISED ACCUSING THE US OF DISCRIMINATION.

5. USG CONTINUES TO FEEL THAT PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT NOT ADVISABLE, CONSIDERING ALL FACTORS. VANCE

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## Message Attributes

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